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## MINING INDUSTRY.

Resume of Important News of the Week.

### ORE READY FOR SHIPMENT.

Large Amount of Work Being Done in the District. Silver Ore from Mazatzals. Another Sale Made.

ARIZONA COMMERCIAL COMPANY. Messrs. Schofield, Whitcher & Co. have acquired control of the Arizona Commercial company with properties at Globe, Ariz., adjoining the United Globe mines owned by Phelps, Dodge & Co. This company was incorporated under New York laws in 1882 with 100,000 shares of stock, par \$10. The property was controlled by Signoray W. Fay of the dry goods firm of Wendell, Fay & Co., and Mr. Fay continues as the largest stockholder and as president of the company. Under the new ownership 20,000 shares of stock will remain in the treasury, not to be sold at less than \$10 per share.

The directors of the company comprise S. W. Fay, L. E. Whitcher and James H. Fay. Mr. N. L. Amster, who examined and reported on the property, will be general manager. The property has been sufficiently developed to demonstrate its value as a producing mine. The shipments of the past six months to the El Paso smelter show an average of over 16 per cent in copper beside some silver values. The production in that period, without the aid of machinery, has shown a net profit of \$30,000. There are upwards of 125,000 tons of silicious ore on the dumps, carrying 6 per cent copper; these ores will be available as soon as a sufficient amount of iron ores can be obtained to use with them for fluxing purposes, and it is the consensus of opinion of experts that a large body of iron ore is contained in the company's properties. The stock of the company has all been placed at \$2.50 per share.—Boston Transcript, Feb. 25.

### LOCAL MINING NEWS.

Mr. C. E. Taylor, who has several men working on the Tip Top No. 2 claim, is very much pleased with the progress of the work in the drifts at the bottom of the shaft. In the east drift the vein is widening out very rapidly, and is now fully two feet wide. It has increased from four to six inches in width for every foot drifted, and the ore is showing much better in copper. The west drift also shows marked improvements in width of vein and character of ore.

It is rumored that the Verde Queen Mining company of Jerome, has purchased the Grand Prize mine in this county above Payson, which is owned by Hugo Richards of Prescott, and John Wentworth and Frank Bissig of Payson. This company expects to commence work immediately and will shortly send one of their water jacket furnaces, which they have taken out of their plant at Jerome, to be placed on this property. The deal has been under investigation for some time and is said to have been closed last week.

George P. Andrews of St. Louis, Mo., who is largely interested in mining in this vicinity, and is so particularly with the Pinal Copper company, came in Sunday morning on the delayed train to attend to some mining matters and will leave for the east again Thursday, but will return in a few weeks to relieve Dr. Campbell.

Finnetter & Harvey are loading another car of ore from their Oak Springs property for shipment to the El Paso smelter, one carload having been shipped on Monday morning. They are now getting out from five to ten tons of ore per day which will run from 18 to 22 per cent copper per ton by the carload.

L. M. Teale, who was here about a year ago, came in on the train Sunday morning from St. Joe, Mo., to take charge of the work on the Yo Tambien mine on Pinto creek, which is owned by the Pinto Creek Mining & Milling company, composed of St. Joe people. In the crosscut on that property they have recently reached a six-foot vein on which they are now drifting and which looks very well. Mr. Teale left for Pinto creek on Monday, but cannot state what his plans for future development will be until after he has examined the property.

P. K. Wilcox came in from the East Verde Monday with about 3,500 pounds of good looking silver ore which he took out of an eight-foot shaft in the Mazatzals, northwest of the Wentworth group of copper claims, which lie along the south side of the East Verde river. Mr. Wilcox was not aware that the sampling works were not in operation, and the freight rates are too high to allow small shipments, therefore the ore will be stored here until it can be shipped in a carload

lot. It is a chloride silver ore taken out at the grass roots, numerous assays having been made, the most of them returning between 800 and 947 ounces per ton. In the vicinity of the Mazatzal mountains there are many rich veins and deposits of ore carrying gold, silver and copper, and when better facilities for transportation are provided that section will become one of the greatest ore producers in territory.

Those interested in the Black Warrior Copper Co., Amalgamated, are very well pleased with the results recently obtained from the working of their plants and mines about six miles east of Globe; also with the showing made on their sulphide property in Gold gulch. This company has been working under many difficulties and disadvantages, while at the present time scarcity of coal is their greatest drawback and they have been compelled to close their works for an indefinite time on this account as they have just been informed that the coal situation is as bad, if not worse than it has been for some time past. They are now considering the advisability of using oil for fuel, and erecting a plant for the manufacture of sulphuric acid. If they are compelled to keep their plants closed down they will continue their force of about fifteen men in the mines, and when the fuel question is settled they will be in good shape to commence putting their propositions on a paying basis.

Prof. W. P. Blake of the territorial school of mines, has recently written up the mines of the Santa Cruz valley, and an effort is being made to have him write up the mines north and west of Tucson. An effort should also be made to have Professor Blake write a sketch of the mines around Globe, as such an article would do much towards causing mining men and capitalists to investigate this section and convince themselves of the value and extent of our vast mineral resources.

P. J. Cole is in town from the Cole & Goodwin property near the head of Pinto creek. They have several men drifting on ore in the bottom of the shaft and are well pleased with the progress of their work and the ore taken out.

Dr. McArthur and Geo. S. Andrews left this morning for the head of mineral creek on mining business and will be gone two or three days.

Some very fine sulphide ore was brought in town yesterday from the Proctor mine, owned by O. S. Cross and others, near the head of Pinto creek, which is being worked under lease.

Mining is quite active in the country about the head of Pinto creek and considerable high grade copper ore is being taken out for shipment. Ed Fendren, who recently bought out his partner, F. L. Toombs, will have a carload of 28 per cent ore ready for shipment within ten days. McAfee has six to eight tons; Fitzgerald, five or six tons; R. Welch, ten tons, and a party of Indians, fifteen to twenty tons.

W. S. Sutan, who is directing the development work on the Newman group of copper claims, near Troy, bonded to N. L. Amster of Boston, was in town on Monday. He has five men employed sinking a two-compartment shaft and doing prospect work on an iron lead carrying some copper and silver; this lead is 100 feet wide and has been traced for a distance covering the length of three claims. The group comprises seven claims owned by Jack Newman and one owned by Geo. R. Hill and Newman. Mr. Amster has a bond also on the Gillespie & Lawrence group of copper claims situated near Drappings springs. The bonds run one year, and Mr. Amster agrees to keep five men doing development work continually on the Newman group during the life of the bond.

The Arizona Commercial company, locally known as the Copper Hill, are preparing to commence work on their property within ten days. N. L. Amster of Boston, is the general manager and W. S. Sutan, the resident superintendent. Mr. Sutan on Monday forwarded to the Boston office an order for a steam hoist capable of sinking 1,000 feet, and for other machinery and supplies. The development work performed by the late lessees of the Copper Hill property included a shaft 300 feet deep, a tunnel from the bottom of the shaft eighty feet in length cutting the ledge, and a drift 150 feet toward the Cuprite mine. In the Cuprite, owned by the United Globe Mines, a large stope was opened 200 feet deeper than the present Copper Hill workings, and which stope has yielded a large quantity of shipping ore. The end of the drift in the Copper Hill is within 300 feet of this stope in the Cuprite, and the prospect seems good of catching the rich ore body at a greater depth in the Copper Hill.

Perry Howie has sold his group of eight copper claims in Webster gulch, near the Black Copper, for \$25,000, to Cincinnati parties represented by Louis G. Siebel. In the absence of Mr. Siebel, Mr. Geo. P. Andrews was authorized to conduct the negotiations for him. Mr. Howie has severed his connection with the Pinal Copper company and will leave in a few days for El Paso, where he will open a mining brokers office in connection with other parties, who will handle mines in this country and Old Mexico. It is also probable that he will become interested with Mr. J. T. Broyles of Globe, in the cattle business in Texas.

### Territorial and General.

The new matting furnace at the Pride of the West mine at Washington camp is now in operation and copper matte is now a part of the product of the big reduction works operated by Mr. McGee, superintendent of the Pride.—Oasis.

The first carload of fuel oil to be used in this county was sent out to Chloride Wednesday last. The oil was billed to the Tennessee mine. The other companies at Chloride are also putting in oil and it will be but a short time until every furnace in the county will be using oil.—Kingman Miner.

### The Town Council.

At the meeting of the town council last Tuesday night the time was chiefly taken up in the discussion of calling a special election and contemplated resignation of Mayor Hunt.

There appeared to be an anxious desire among the city fathers to do something to allay the public dissatisfaction over their inane record covering nearly ten months, and there was self congratulatory talk about what the street department had accomplished, and enough new work was planned and suggested to keep the street improvement force scratching gravel and building bridges for the next year, if the money would hold out.

It was also agreed that the town marshal should make an early and vigorous assault on the garbage and filth that has been allowed to accumulate since the council went into office.

The Salvation Army's request that Army women be exempted from the ordinance prohibiting women entering saloons, after some discussion, was denied.

Mr. Keegan said he supposed his appointment as councilman was legal when he accepted the office; if it was irregular he wanted to know it and quit quick. The mayor said he thought that the charge made that the council had filled a vacancy by appointment contrary to law was a point well taken, but it was claimed that the subsequent acts of the council were not invalidated thereby, and that Mr. Keegan ought to stay on the board until his successor was elected.

The mayor said he would be away a large part of the summer and would therefore resign and suggested that a special election be called to fill three vacancies. He thought the new council, having the benefit of Messrs. Pascoe and Week's experience, would work successfully. Week and Pascoe, however, objected to the arrangement and said if the mayor resigned, they also would resign and make it unanimous.

The question of a special election was discussed and the prevailing opinion was that it should be held on the first Monday in April, but the matter went over until the next meeting, March 12.

### The Local Paper.

Over in that good town of Globe the people are exercised over the proposition to disincorporate the town. The versatile editor of the Globe Times states the question to the public in a fair and impartial manner and then ducks into his cellar, and stays there, refusing to say a word for or against. This brings up the question of the province of the local paper. Should it be satisfied to remain only a purveyor of news items, or should it attempt to gain the still higher plane of journalism and pose as a monitor of public opinion in the community in which it is published? Now, the disincorporation of Globe is an important matter. The Times should look carefully into the advantages and disadvantages arising from the incorporation, weigh both in an impartial manner, decide what is best for the community at large and then give his readers the benefit of his investigation, and point out the different points in favor or against, as he may decide is best for the town. Readers of a paper expect the local paper to take a stand one way or the other. It should do so if it would command that respect and influence to which the local paper is entitled. Come out in the open, Brother Aley. Say, yes or no, and then proclaim your position from the house tops.—Bisbee Review.

Congress adjourned at noon on March 4, completing most of the important business before it. No extra session of congress has been called, but the senate will have the customary extra session, usual when a new administration is inducted.

## THE LEGISLATURE

Bill for the Creation of Verde County Introduced.

### COUNTY DIVISION NOT PROBABLE.

A New Bill to Tax the Gross Output of Mines Introduced. Extravagant Appropriations to Educational Institutions.

PHOENIX, Tuesday, March 5.—The bill for the division of Yavapai county, which had been expected since the first day of the session, but which has been unaccountably held back, was introduced in the house yesterday by Mr. Campbell. Regarding the fate of it there is a great deal of doubt. On the face of things it will be defeated in the house, though if it pass that branch there is no doubt of its passage in the council. Then there would be the governor to be reckoned with. Personally he is opposed to a division of Yavapai county. But whether he would veto a bill of an essentially local character is a contingency which both sides have had under unsatisfactory discussion.

### COUNTY DIVISION IMPROBABLE.

County division sentiment is not nearly so strong as it was supposed to be. In the combination formed in the agreement upon an organization of the council it was believed the one thing upon which the combination rested. It has since been shown that the main plank was the retention of the penitentiary at Yuma. That has been accomplished by a strength which might always have been increased if it had been necessary. This now seems to have been the chief mission of the combination and as that has been disposed of it is doubtful if anything more can be accomplished in the house under any understanding that may have existed before the passage of the prison improvement and enlargement bill.

The fight was begun on the county division bill at the outset. Mr. Campbell desired it sent to the committee on territorial affairs. Dr. Geer, the chief opponent, fought to have it committed to the county and county boundaries committee. The discussion brought out something of the sentiment of the house which was manifestly against the bill, though Mr. Campbell's motion was supported because hitherto according to precedent, the author of a bill has been allowed to name the committee to which it should be referred. Even with this sentiment Mr. Campbell's motion received a majority of only one in a vote of twenty-one.

It transpired that the delay in the introduction of the bill was occasioned by a wish to consult Senator Clark, who arrived at Jerome last week. The senator was not very enthusiastic. His mind is filled with other things than the organization of new counties in Arizona. He gave his consent, but not clothes-tearing support, and the name of the new county will be if organized not Clark, but Verde.

### A NEW BULLION TAX BILL.

A new interest has been revived in the subject of bullion taxing, notwithstanding the quietus put on a bill for that purpose some time ago. Mr. Peterson introduced another bill yesterday for the taxing, not of the net proceeds, but of the gross output of mines, levying a tax of fifty cents on each \$100. There is no exemption of machinery and no minimum limit of production. I am informed that the present temper of the house is in favor of the passage of the bill.

The bill for the rehabilitation of the national guard was favorably considered by the house this morning. In fact, three such bills have been favorably considered, and one of them was passed by the council. That bill was taken from the code. The house bill is more up-to-date and more liberal. It provides for a guard of ten companies, a band, a signal corps and a hospital corps to receive \$30 a month. It has been amended so as to admit the cadets of the territorial university and normal school or "any other school." The latter amendment was made by Mr. Kimball, the head of the academy at Thatcher. The cadet companies and battalions will receive no appropriation from the territory, but will participate in the government's appropriation of \$5,000 for Arizona for equipment and supplies.

Mr. Gray's house Bill No. 17, requiring the appointment of deputy constables, must receive the approval of boards of supervisors and providing that the fees of justices' constables and sheriffs in vagrancy cases may not amount to more than \$30 a month in any precinct was passed today. This bill was defeated two weeks ago under a misapprehension that its object was merely a reduction of fees. It was afterward explained that the fees in

this kind of cases would seldom amount to as much as the bill allows. The vote by which the bill was defeated was then reconsidered.

### IRRIGATION BILL DEFEATED.

The Ivy irrigation bill was overwhelmingly defeated in the house on Saturday. It was a modification or rather an exaggeration of the Wyoming irrigation law and was put into shape by the general water storage committee of this county. The committee could not agree on the priority of the appropriation feature. A majority was opposed to it, but the minority smuggled it into the house in disregard of the agreement of the committee. The majority was thus arrayed against the measure, which thus was left without any standing.

The council is now engaged in the consideration of the printing bill introduced by Mr. Shannon, having been prepared by the territorial press association. It is opposed so far only by Mr. Andrews of Yavapai.

### UNIVERSITY GRAB.

The bills for the maintenance of the educational institutions have all been passed and signed by the governor. They are much more liberal than those of previous years have been. Especially is this true of a bill authorizing a bond issue of \$25,000 for the construction of a new building at the university and authorized a tax levy of 1½ cents to pay the interest. At the end of ten years a sinking fund is to be established for the redemption of the bonds. It has been pointed out that the amount of money collected by the levy will in the course of twenty years amount to more than \$70,000, no part of which need be applied to the payment of the bonds. Dr. Ford sought to have the bill amended so that so much of the money as might not be required for the payment of interest might remain in the treasury and not be turned into the university fund as the bill provided. The friends of the university secured the defeat of the amendment.

### INVESTIGATION BEGUN.

The investigation of the offices of the auditor and the board of control was begun this morning under the direction of President Ives. The council concurrent resolution directing the council committee to employ an expert accountant was adopted by the house after a fierce struggle. Ben Heney has been employed and arrived here this morning. The investigation is so far confined to the circumstances attending the printing of the brand book and the biennial reports two years ago.

The legislature, or at any rate the house, will begin tonight holding night sessions. Even the question of Sunday sittings has been brought up. It is evident that much of the work cut out will be left undone. A great deal of time has been fooled away on the supposition that congress would authorize an extension of thirty days. At the present moment it is difficult to see how the code can be completed in any sort of shape which will be an improvement on the revised statutes. Defective and contradictory as they were, the code, thrown together in the slipshod fashion in which it was presented to the legislature, can hardly be reduced to any sort of order in the brief time the legislature could give to its consideration.

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The Pacific Mail steamship Rio de Janeiro ran on to a rock in the Golden Gate, during a heavy fog last Friday morning, and 131 lives were lost, out of 211 on board, among the lost being Consul-General Wildman, his wife and children, and the Captain of the vessel. The pilot has been held responsible for the accident.

Sheriff Tom Turner of Santa Cruz county, recently visited a number of saloons in Nogales, ordered those present to line up, and searched them for guns, finding quite a number in each place armed, whom he arrested and took them before the court, who fined them \$50 each.

### Pine Splinters.

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### Occasional Correspondence.

It is very warm here for this time of the year, the buds on the trees are beginning to swell and if the warm weather continues for a while the prospects for fruit will not be very good as we usually have frost in March and April.

Feed on the ranges is growing fast and the prospects for fat cattle this spring are good.

Mr. Wm. Babbett, of Flagstaff, came in yesterday, looking for cattle; he wants 1000 head for spring delivery at Flagstaff.

Arthur Clark and Frank Randall started for Globe the 26th day of February, loaded with ore from the P. K. Wilcox mine on the East Verde; they will load back with merchandise.

Miss Hotchkiss of Strawberry, went to Payson yesterday to get medical attendance. She came out here from Kansas last summer for her health, but of late has been getting worse.

Dr. Maich was up the other day to look out for his Strawberry interests. People here are interesting themselves in a new irrigating ditch, look-

ing to the bettering of the sanitary conditions of the town.

Dave Goodfellow came up from the Natural Bridge today; he says the trees are blooming out and they are planting garden.

The cattlemen here have formed a stock association for the benefit of the stockmen of this section.

Mr. Hunter Wright and Geo. Mines of Camp Verde are visitors here for a few days.

### UNVEILING MONUMENTS.

By the Local Camp of Woodman of the World.

On Sunday afternoon Pine Camp, No. 12, Woodmen of the World, of Globe, conducted the impressive services at the cemetery, of unveiling the monuments erected by the order, to the memory of Henry A. Robinson and Wm. T. McNeil, deceased members.

In this order every deceased member is entitled to have erected at his grave, a monument to mark his last resting place, which is furnished at the expense of the Head Camp, the cost of which shall be at least \$100. If a more expensive monument is desired, by relatives or friends this sum will be paid to the parties, provided the Woodmen emblems are placed on the monument. On a certain Sunday in each year it is a custom of the order to unveil the monuments erected during the preceding year, and in accordance with that custom, Pine Camp met in their hall, thence proceeded to the grave of Henry A. Robinson where they formed in a wedge shape about the grave, the consul commander at the head and the widow and son of the deceased at the foot, when the beautiful and impressive ceremony of unveiling and dedicating monuments, was conducted almost perfectly by the members.

The poem, "Why Should the Spirit of Mortal be Proud," was rendered in a very credible manner by Sovereign James Barnett. The several officers acquitted themselves with much credit. The expressive words used by the order everywhere on these occasions are, "In love, in honor, in remembrance," and the translation of the Latin motto of the order, "Dum Tacet Clamat," "He Speaks though He be Silent," refer to the respect a man is held in who provides for his family in case of his death, and that in doing so, he is speaking to them after his death, while he is yet loved, honored and remembered by his family as well as by the fraternity.

The Camp then proceeded to the grave of Wm. T. McNeil forming in the same manner about the grave, when Neighbor Frank Aley, a member of Trinidad Camp No. 32, Trinidad, Colorado, delivered a touching address upon the worth and benefits of the order, its thoughtfulness and remembrance of its members and their families. After the address the ceremony of unveiling and dedication was concluded. Quite a large number of spectators were present during the ceremonies, who gave careful attention and appeared to be much impressed therewith.

### The Opera and the Elks.

For the advent of the Andrews Opera company, (26 in number,) in Globe, the opera house management is to be congratulated. This company is without doubt the best of the kind that travels through the country, and the people of Globe were highly entertained with a first class entertainment, by high class ladies and gentlemen.

On Thursday night the rendition of the opera, "Martha," and on Friday night that of the comic opera, "Mikado," was as near perfect as could be under the circumstances, and was much appreciated by a well filled house on both nights. After the opera on Friday night, the Globe lodge of Elks had a pleasant surprise in store for the members of the company, among whom there were several members of that order. It consisted of an invitation to their lodge room over the opera house, where each member was presented with a handsome souvenir badge, worded and gotten up for the occasion.

W. T. McNelly introduced Judge McFarland of Solomonville, who briefly welcomed the opera company, and other visitors present, of whom there were quite a number. Mr. C. W. Sirch then introduced Mr. Frank E. Williams of the company, who delighted everyone with a trick violin solo, and the "Dutchman's Serenade." Refreshments were then served, followed by a bountiful supply of libations, of any and every kind wished for. During the partaking of the vanda, general and individual introductions and pleasant conversations were had, after which several songs were entertainingly rendered by different members of the company. Mr. Williams also giving some very excellent performances on the violin, of which instrument he is a perfect master, Miss Wingfield giving a buck-and-wing dance, and Floyd Elvins dancing a very complicated step jig.

Mr. George Andrews, on behalf of the company briefly thanked the Elks for their kindness and thoughtfulness in giving them such a pleasant and unexpected reception, the memory of which would be pleasantly cherished in the minds of the members of his company for all time. Those present then prepared to go home, well pleased with what had taken place, and believing that the B. P. O. E. is surely what those letters are said to indicate—The "Best People On Earth."